

Season 2 Episode 1

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Ivan, Safron, and Dirk are walking around a seemingly low-tech village that is built on a grassy field. The chairman of the village is guiding Ivan, Safron, and Dirk. The chairman said, "I called you monks here because something strange randomly appeared in our village and I need you monks to figure out what it is and what its purpose is." Safron said, "We have come across all kinds of universe anomalies. I am sure we can solve this one." Dirk said, "Since when did we solve mysteries?" Ivan said, "The entire Ultraverse is a big mystery." Dirk said, "Everything is a philosophical mystery to you." The monks are led to the strange thing and it is a large multicolored vase with a ring of rectangles on it that can spin in the wind. Ivan, Safron, and Dirk look at the thing. Safron said, "I have never seen anything like this before." Ivan said, "It looks like something an artist made and left here for some reason." Dirk said, "It is probably some bullcrap publicity stunt." Dirk places his hand on it. Dirk said, "It feels warm." Dirk sees the colored rectangles are spinning slowly in the wind. Dirk grabs onto the ring they are connected to and he spins it. The rectangles go spinning to a point where they form into propeller blades. The vase generates a large cyclone. Everything around the vase starts to get pulled into it. Safron grabs onto Ivan and she skateboards away from the vase and she grabs onto a wooden post from one of the village buildings. Dirk jumps away from the vase and he takes out a canister of silly string and he shoots it to one of the buildings and tries to zip away. Dirk ends up getting sucked into the vase. The vase starts slowing down and the cyclone fades away. Ivan said, "What is this thing?" Safron said, "It looks like it sucked up Dirk." Ivan said, "This could be a portal to another universe." Safron said, "It could be. If it is a portal, then where does it lead to?"

Dirk falls through a colored vortex and he ends up in a costal city that looks like a typical North American city. Dirk walks around the poor and dirty streets that are littered with garbage. Dirk walks by several poor people holding out metal cans. Dirk walks down another street and it is filled with smashed up buildings that used to have businesses in them. A pimped-out car filled with gangsters with machine guns drives down the street and the gangsters aim their machine guns at Dirk. They open fire on him and he jumps and dodges the bullets. The car drives ahead and then it turns around and it starts chasing Dirk. The car revs its engine and speeds after Dirk and the gangsters open fire on him. Dirk jumps and he uses his silly string canisters to swing

around the city buildings. Dirk looks behind him and he dodges more of the bullets and he hits a metal cylinder on a building and he falls into a back alley.

Dirk sees a group of thugs beating up a rich executive looking man. The thugs look at Dirk and one of them said, "It looks like we have another client that wants a round of beatings." The thugs jump attack at Dirk and Dirk jumps over them. Dirk jumps high and he uses his silly string and he connects it to one of the thugs and he throws the thug on the string at the other thugs. The thugs get knocked down and they get back up. Dirk fights against the thugs using his enhanced agility and he forms the thugs into a pile of beat-up thugs. The executive said, "Thanks. Say, do you need a place to stay?" Dirk said, "I guess so." The executive said, "I am Darwin Drumash. I am the owner of the largest luxurious homeless shelter in the city. Homelessness has been a real problem in the city since most of the major corporations have been bought out and are run by one company now. A lot of people lost their jobs because of this and prices for things skyrocketed so now a good chunk of the population is poor and can't afford decent living arrangements. I countered this by setting up my own homeless shelter. Did you lose your job because of this conglomerate?" Dirk said, "No. I am not even sure where I am. I am completely lost. I found this place in a portal in a colored vase." Darwin said, "Tell you what, I will give you one of the new suites I have in my home for poor people. I can help you get a job and I will help you establish a life in this city. This used to be a very good city but now a lot of people have turned to crime. Those thugs wanted me dead so they can take what I have. We will get you settled in no time."

Dirk is given a luxury suite complete with a TV, a bathroom, and a nice bed. Dirk lies on the bed and he turns on the TV. Dirk sees a familiar hot female news reporter appear on the screen. She said, "Reporting live from the streets again. Things have actually changed for the worse. It looks like the crime rates are skyrocketing as the employment rates are diminishing. Many people have lost their bank accounts because they cannot afford to pay the high fees which are governed by the city's newest owner, Drek Osmond." A picture of Drek Osmond appears on the screen and Dirk said, "I know that guy." Dirk gets flashbacks of Drek giving Dirk his powers from an injection needle and Dirk being used as a guinea pig to test the serum. Dirk gets more flashbacks of Drek and his father being rich scumbags and Dirk fights against Drek's father and it leads to the death of Drek's father. He gets a flashback of Drek ridding Ivan of his yin-yang powers. Dirk said, "He's the one behind this?" Darwin enters Dirk's suite. He hands Dirk a form. Darwin said, "Good news. I found you a job at the local regional pizza place that takes pride in itself being an independent business. I got you a job at being a delivery boy for them. You will start tomorrow morning." Dirk looks at the form.

There is a camera in Dirk's room and it is watching Dirk. It has recorded everything he has done including him getting the job. The camera supervisor goes to Drek's office and he said, "Master Drek. We found Dirk. He is staying at one of the luxury suites for poor people." Drek said, "Good. Is there anything else you know about him?" The supervisor said, "We know he just got a job working for that one independent pizza place that you were not able to acquire. I don't know how that place can stay in business without you owning it." Drek said, "This could work to our advantage. I knew getting that construction worker I paid money to place cameras in that homeless shelter was an awesome idea. We will learn a lot about Dirk. I still want to make him into a trophy for what he did to my father."

Dirk runs down the street in the morning and he senses things. He senses kids running out on the road. Dirk jumps over to the kids and he stops them from going out on the road. Dirk gets another vision and he sees someone in danger and is about to fall off a building. Dirk jumps and uses his silly string to swing to that building and he saves the person about to fall and he brings them to safety. Dirk then gets a vision of a tanker truck filled with an explosive chemical and it is driving fast and it going to collide with another truck with another substance that would cause an explosion. Dirk jumps to the back of the tanker truck and he uses his silly string to get a grip on it but the truck drives ahead and breaks the string. Dirk jumps ahead and he grabs onto the back of the truck and he slows down the truck. He makes it miss the dangerous truck. Dirk gets weak and cannot hold on anymore so he lets the truck go and it drives off fast and it collides with a truck filled with batteries and a truck filled with fireworks and it causes a massive explosion in the city. Dirk zips away and he gets to the pizza place. The owner said, "Dirk. You're late mon." Dirk said, "You told me to be here at 11 and it is 10:45." The owner said, "You know the start times never mean they actually start at that time. I have a lot of orders and you have only 20 minutes to deliver all these orders. I don't think you can do it." Dirk said, "I think I can."

Dirk swings through the city while he has a stack of pizza boxes in one hand. Dirk swings around intricate buildings and construction equipment and the pizza box stack almost falls out of his hand but he saves it with his enhanced agility. Dirk swings down the street and a bomb is thrown next to him and it throws him off. Dirk sees Drek in white armor and on a flying hover board and he is armed with a bomb launcher.

Dirk swings around the buildings and Drek keeps firing bombs at Dirk. Dirk tightly grips onto the pizza and he does a sharp turn around a building and Drek is still locked onto Dirk. Drek fires a swarm of missiles at Dirk. Dirk dodges the missiles and they all crash into each other and they all explode and they send Dirk flying off to the location where the pizzas are to be delivered. Dirk jumps on the balcony of a building. Dirk knocks on the window and some girl is there and Dirk hands her the pizzas. The

girl said, "You are three seconds late. I am not paying for those." Dirk said, "My boss opened early and there is a rich psychopath locked onto me." The girl said, "I don't care." Drek hovers over Dirk and he sends missiles and bombs into the balcony. Dirk jumps and swings away and the building is left destroyed. The girl looks at the pizzas in the charred boxes and she said, "That's it. I am calling that place and I am making sure that fool that passes as a lame excuse for a pizza boy gets fired."

Dirk uses silly string and he zips onto Drek's flying board. Dirk and Drek fist fight each other. Dirk grabs onto Drek's head and Dirk twists Drek's head. Drek takes out a large, jagged sword and he throws it at Dirk. Dirk uses his silly string to grab the sword and he throws it into Drek's head. Drek gets knocked back and Dirk knees Drek in the head. Dirk spins his legs and he knocks Drek off the flying board. Drek goes falling into the city. Dirk lands the flying board back at the pizza place. The owner gives Dirk a dirty look. He said, "You are fired. I don't approve of you swinging around the city and having buildings and things get destroyed while you deliver pizzas." Dirk said, "It wasn't me. It was Drek. He is that rich guy that is buying out everything in this city." The owner said, "I've heard all of the excuses now. Get lost."

Dirk heads back to his suite and he sees the building is being taken apart. Dirk sees Darwin watching the building get ripped apart by repo guys. Dirk said, "What's going on?" Darwin said, "The organization that provided me funding for this place got bought out by that same conglomerate that has been buying out everything in the city. I have lost my funding so I had no choice but to sell what I have to the conglomerate so I can stay in the black. I am barely in the black now. All these poor homeless people have nowhere to go now." Dirk gives all of this a stern look and he said, "Something will be done about this. I am getting my hands on that Drek."

Drek is in a warehouse on the edge of the city where the docks are. Drek looks over a large machine with a glowing blue and white cylinder in it. Drek's butler enters and he said, "Mr. Drek, has the pain worn off yet from that large fall you suffered from earlier today?" Drek said, "It has. It has worked well thanks to my healing formula. My father always had the best formulas for everything. Pretty soon, we will have even more of his awesome technology and formulas." The butler said, "What do you mean by that?" Drek said, "This machine I have is something I have been working on since my father got killed by Dirk. I realize that there are other universes that exist and there are ways to bring people from one universe into another. I have found there are other universes where my father is still alive. I can use this machine to track him in other universes and bring him here. I can also bring more of the worst villains from all the universes and have them maintain order in my streets. I think I am just about finished the calibration." Drek adjusts a few notches on the machine and the cylinder begins to spin and lightning flies off it.

Back at the vase in the primitive village, Ivan and Safron watch Keith and a bunch of other monks use technology to do tests on the vase. Keith has a handheld scanner and he scans the vase. Keith said, "This vase appears to be a portal to another universe. It seems to also cloak the location of where the universe is in the Ultraverse. I know a way around this." Keith takes out a small device on wheels and is tethered to a computer by a long and thick wire. Keith sends the small device on wheels into the portal. Ivan, Safron, and Keith watch the computer screen and they see the city. Keith controls the device around and they see buff Indian thugs on every street corner. They also see bootleg versions of Multisword walking down the street and enforcing the city laws. Someone walks down the street too fast and the bootleg Multiswords beat up the person walking too fast and they have them arrested. Keith said, "It looks like we are dealing with a brutal and draconian universe." Safron sees a skateboard shop in the background. Safron said, "I know that store. It is my favorite skateboard store. It only exists in one known universe. You remember, Ivan. I took you to this universe once." Ivan said, "I wish I could forget about that." Keith said, "You must know where this universe is then." Safron said, "I do." Keith said, "There is still one challenge that presents itself to us. We still don't know where Dirk is. I will keep searching with this. We will find Dirk in time."

Dirk goes to a small restaurant where people are protesting. Poor people hold signs that say, "High prices are unjust." Dirk goes into the restaurant and the prices for food are not listed. Dirk said, "How much is a shawarma with an orange juice?" The server said, "The shawarma is \$56 and the orange juice is \$37." Dirk's eyes go big and he said, "How do you think you can stay in business by selling things for that much?" The server said, "If you don't have enough money for anything, then leave." Dirk said, "I will." An army of Multiswords appear and they surround Dirk in the restaurant. Dirk said, "What gives? I was just commenting on how high the prices are." One of the Multiswords said, "Commenting on high prices set by our master Drek is considered treason. You are to be arrested at once." The Multiswords charge at Dirk and Dirk jumps and he grabs onto the ceiling. Dirk uses his silly string and he yanks the sword out of one of the Multiswords. Dirk jumps down and he uses the sword and his string to fight off the Multiswords. Dirk smashes one of the Multiswords with his sword and he smashes down another one. Dirk strings up a few of them. More Multiswords and Indian thugs pile in the restaurant. The Indian thugs beat up Dirk and they handcuff him and they take him outside and place him in an armored truck.

Dirk is brought to the warehouse where he has his arms and legs placed in bolted constraints. Drek stands over Dirk and Drek said, "Well, now Mr. Dirk. You are going to see my greatest plan in action. I am going to use this machine to summon all of the greatest villains of the Ultraverse and they will all be under my command." Dirk

said, "Didn't you do that already?" Drek said, "I only summoned different Multiswords and Indian thugs. You have not seen the full extent of what this thing can do." Drek activates the machine and a different version of his father, Ormin Osmond is spawned. He is on a hover craft and he looks down at Drek. Drek said, "Father, you are back." Ormin said, "I am not your father. I have no idea who the hell you are." Drek said, "I am your son Drek." Ormin said, "I don't have a son named Drek. I never had any family. My life is dedicated to serving the Asterix Empire and to provide aid when they are in a time of need. You opened a portal to my universe allowing people from my universe to escape into yours. I will not stand for this." More tanks and battle mechs from the Asterix Empire come out of the portal and they open fire on Drek. Drek activates his armored shield and he goes to fight the Asterix Empire forces. Drek gets the crap blasted out of him. Drek's armor ends up getting destroyed and all of the Asterix Empire troops aim their weapons at Drek. Ormin said, "Any last words?" A portal opens and the Ultraverse Monks jump in and enter the scene.

Ivan, Safron, Keith, and other monks fight off the Asterix Empire forces. Ivan jumps over to Dirk and he cuts the restraints on Dirk. Dirk said, "Thanks." Dirk spots Drek trying to escape. Dirk points to Drek and he said, "Stop him." Ivan and Dirk run for Drek. Dirk uses his silly string and he shoots a string at Drek's foot and he flips up Drek making Drek get flipped up and fall on his back. Ivan aims his sword at Drek's chin. Ivan said, "You are not getting away from us." Keith fights through the chaos and he gets to the controls for Drek's machine. Keith said, "This looks like a standard portal machine. Only a fool would try and take things from the Asterix Empire of the Dark Universe. Good thing there is a reverse button on this." Keith turns a dial on the machine and all the Asterix Empire forces are sucked back into their own universe. All the Ultraverse Monks crowd around Drek. Keith places handcuffs on Drek and he said, "You are coming with us."

Drek is brought on trial in an Ultraverse court of law. The judge said, "It seems you committed interuniversal offences by kidnapping people from other universes to use for your own benefit. You also endangered the life of one of the Ultraverse's finest monks as well as all the people of your universe by using the universe portal machines. You have been found guilty and will be sentenced to prison for twelve years. Case adjourned."

Ivan, Safron, Dirk, and Keith leave the courthouse. Safron said, "Well, it looks like that creep that stole Ivan's powers is now in prison. It looks like Ivan and Dirk will be safe from him for the time being." Drek lives in a dirty prison where buff prisoners beat him up and they make him do all the harsh chores.